

Examiner's amendments

1. Receipt is acknowledged of amendments/arguments filed on 2/18/2010.
2. Claims 20-29, 37-39, 47-53, and 67-69 are presented for examination.
3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
4. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Joseph Calvaruso on March 5, 2010 (see the interview summary, paper no. 20100225).
5. The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

6. Claim 26 (currently amended) A packaging system for packaging a stack of sheet object that bare an attributable monetary value a container, comprising: (i) a packaging device, comprising: means for determining first value data relating to a sheet object to be stacked in the container and an RF reader/writer for writing said first value data to an RFID device: (ii) at least one container configured to be filled with a stack of sheet objects by the packaging device; (iii) a reusable RFID device disposable within the container: (iv) an non-reusable closure member for providing a one-time seal for the container to confine the stack of sheet, objects and the RFID device; (v) an unpackaging device for removing sheet objects from the container and the container determining second value data relating to sheet objects removed from the container; and (vi) an RIFD

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detector for detecting the RFID device, wherein the RF detector is operable to write tracking information to the RFID device.

Priority

7. Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Claims 20-29, 37-39, 47-53, and 67-69 are allowed.

9. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to specifically teach means of determining second value data relating to sheet objects removed from the container and a second processing means having a second database for storing the first value data read from the RFID device and the second value data determined by the unpacking device. These limitations in conjunction with other limitations in the claimed invention were not shown by the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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Tripp et al. (US 2005/0116032) teaches transport and delivery for valuable items.

Rolland et al. (US 2008/0223930) teaches cash tracking system.

Sako et al. (US 2006/0077059) teaches verification method of goods using IC tags and equipment using the method.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EDWYN LABAZE whose telephone number is (571)272-2395. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steve Paik can be reached on (571) 272-2404. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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